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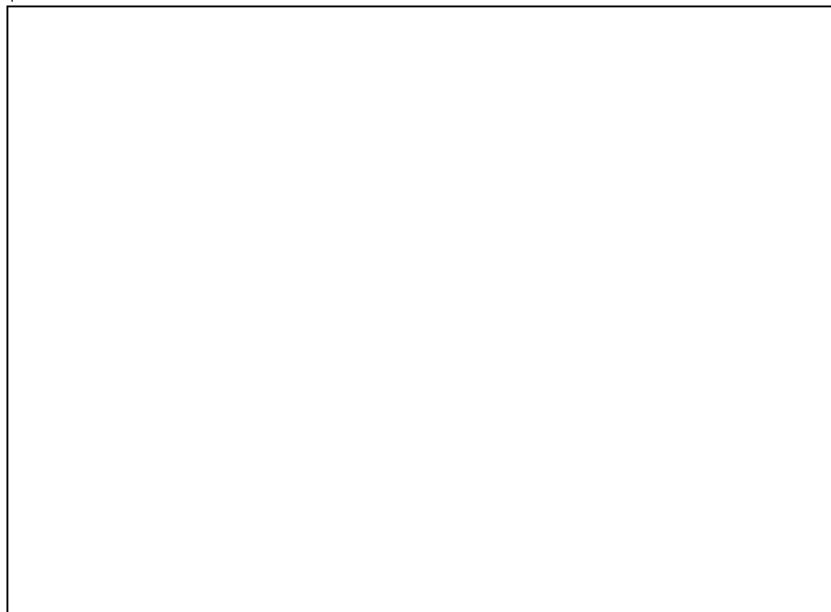
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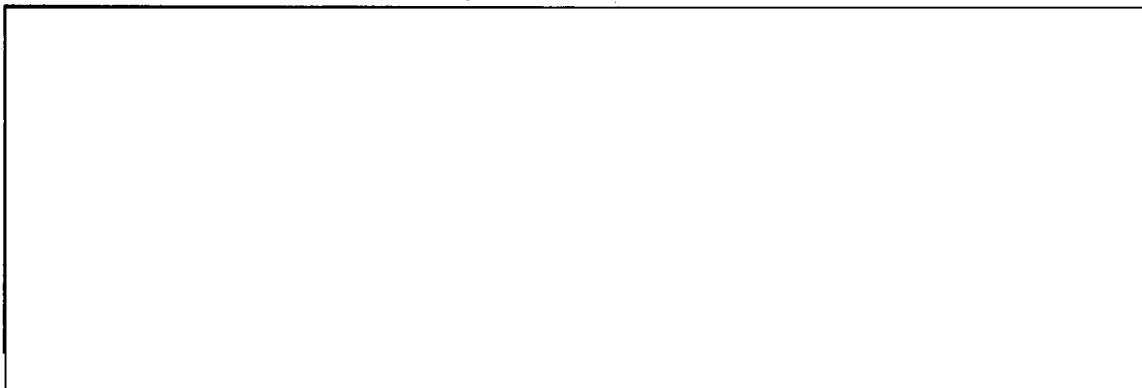
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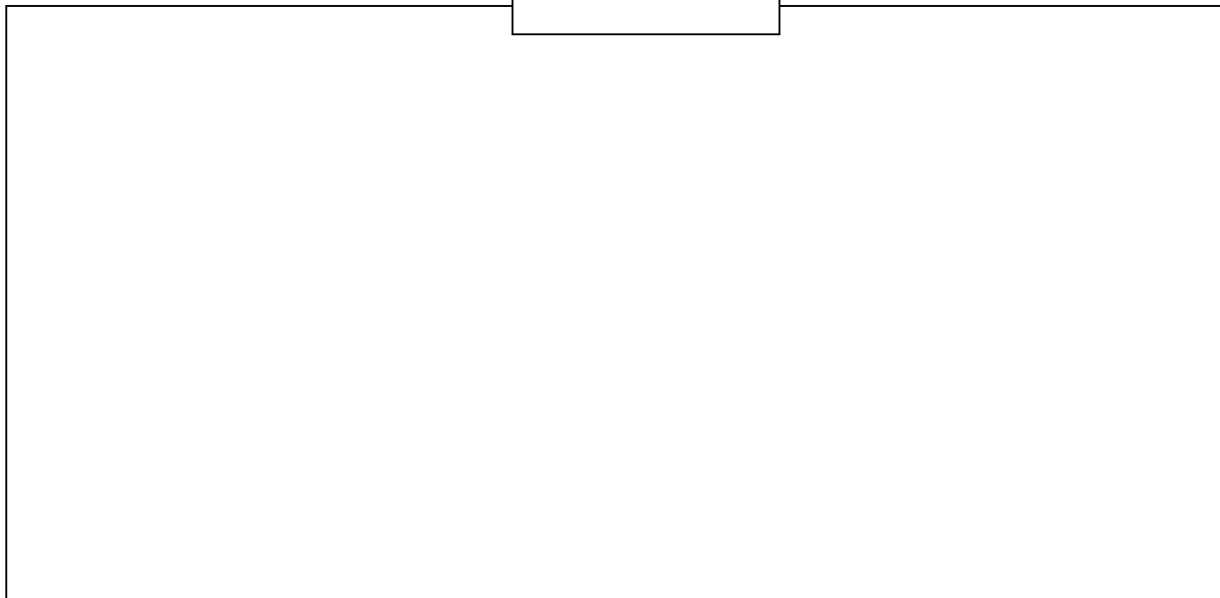
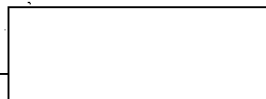
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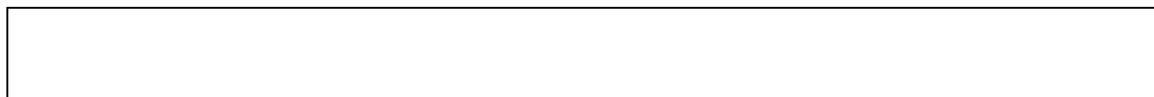
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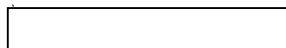


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**BIOLOGICAL/CHEMICAL WARFARE**

French Scientists Critically Ill After Exposure to Undisclosed Product: Thirty doctors in a Toulon hospital were reported to be working around the clock in an attempt to save three scientists critically ill after being choked by a top secret chemical product. The scientists, who are suffering from severe lung damage, have been unconscious in an oxygen-filled decompression chamber since Monday. They were stricken after testing a new product of an undisclosed nature. [ ]

Comment: The facility where these scientists worked is primarily a fertilizer production plant, and no previous association of this facility with CW research has been noted. Even though this research probably was not oriented toward toxic CW agents, the effects of the unidentified substance place it in the category of a potential agent. No specific inference from the "top secret" designation can be drawn at this time; it could be journalese or reflect proprietary interests. Since France is known to be conducting research for toxic agents, this material will no doubt be investigated further for possible CW applications. [ ]

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